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REMARKS

Claims 1 to 98 are currently pending. Claims 7 to 92 have been withdrawn. Claims 1 to 6 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) in view of United States Patent No. 6,086,265 (Kuribayashi) in combination with United States Patent No. 6,369,924 (Scharf). Claims 93 to 98 have been allowed.

The claims of the application have been amended to overcome the objections of the Examiner and to better define the invention in light of the prior art. In particular, claim 1 has been amended to define that the "vertical printed circuit board" is "coupled to the horizontal printed circuit board", which the Examiner has identified as an inventive feature of the present invention. Applicant hereby requests reinstatement of withdrawn claims 7 to 23 in view of the allowability of generic claim 1.

The dependency of claim 8 has been changed to claim 5, in which the term "the pins" are first introduced.

As such, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims remaining in the application are in condition for allowance. Early and favorable consideration would be appreciated.

Applicants request confirmation of consideration of the IDS previously mailed to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 7, 2002, and IDS electronically filed on May 13, 2004 and June 2, 2004.

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